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ELECTRIC & GAS REGULATION

January 21, 2011

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Negotiated Multi-Month Contract #1 and Multi-Month Contract # 2 Between Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. and One of Its Industrial Customers Designated Confidential and Proprietary Trade Secrets of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Docket No. 2010-143-G

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please allow this correspondence to serve as notification that the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") does not oppose the implementation or approval by the South Carolina Public Service Commission of the contract of Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. ("Piedmont") filed with the Commission on January 18, 2011. ORS has reviewed the non-redacted contracts, discussed them with Piedmont staff, understands the terms and conditions of the contract, and has formed the opinion that they are not contrary to the public interest or other customers of Piedmont.

Additionally, ORS does not oppose Piedmont's request that the non-redacted contracts be maintained under seal by the Commission.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

cc:

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